(a) and (b) Department of Information Technology received a project proposal from Government of Karnataka in the year 2000 for financial support of Rs. 47.407 crores for computerization of their treasuries. Government of Karnataka was advised in December 2000 to reframe the proposal by reducing the scope to that of pilot implementation including development of software, as per the norms prevailing at that time. Government of Karnataka did not come back with the revised proposal.

Revision of Seniority List

3120. DR. M.A.M. RAMASWAMY: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether DoT has revised seniority list of TES Group 'B' Officers as per orders of Deptt. of Personnel and Training;

(b) list of those SC & ST Officers of MTNL, Delhi promoted TES Group 'B' post during the last three years and those of OBC category officers promoted to said post afterwards and got subsequent local officiating promotion to STS and ITS Group 'A' post;

(c) whether MTNL plans to promote all eligible SC & ST officers of ITS Group 'A' (Local Officiating) post at par with their juniors;

(d) if so, by when the proposal is likely to be implemented; and

(e) if not, reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (DR. SHAKEEL AHMAD): (a) Yes Sir.

(b) to (e) The Information is being collected and will be laid on the table of the House.

Purchase of GSM Interceptors

3121. SHRI R. SHUNMUGASUNDARAM: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether State Governments are allowed to purchase an equipment known as GSM Interceptor from foreign companies, for the purpose of surveillance; and